

HOUSE No. 2706

By Mr. Kennedy of Brockton, petition of Thomas P. Kennedy for legislation to authorize medical directors of nursing homes to issue death certificates. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE SIGNING OF DEATH CERTIFICATES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 9 of chapter 46 of the General Laws, as appearing in
2 the 1996 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the
3 word “administrator”, in line 5, the following:— or, if the death
4 occurred in a nursing home as defined in section 108 of chapter
5 112, the medical director of the nursing home.